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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th/May, through Sunday, 5th/June there were 206 countries active. Countries available: 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV9, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TI9, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD8, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4U1UN, UNITED NATIONS HQ. Mohamed, KA2RTD, Station Manager/4U1UN, informed OPDX on June 2nd that the "activation of the UN HQ station, 4U1UN, has been planned for Sunday, **5th June**, with W1CX and KT1J as operators. Primary mode will be RTTY and PSK with possible SSB operation on 60M. The operation is, as always, subject to availability of the station." Hope you were able to catch them on the air (especially on 60 meters!). QSL via HB9BOU, as usual. NEWS FLASH (June 5th)... Just before going to print, 4U1UN was heard active on 20/17 meters RTTY and 6 meters. 4U1UN was expected to be on 60 meters at 2000z.

6Y, JAMAICA. John, KB4CRT, will be active as **6Y5/KB4CRT** from **June 10-16th**. Activity will be on 80-2 meters. Reports also indicate he will be in the **VHF Contest**. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

6Y, JAMAICA. Steven/KN5H and Art/N3DXX will be active as **6Y5/KH5H** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest** (**November 26-27th**) as a Multi-2/High-Power entry. QSL via KN5H.

CN8, MOROCCO. M'hamed, **CN8NK**, reports that he will participate in the "**His Majesty King of Spain SSB Contest**" (**June 25-26th**) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. His QSL Manager is EA5XX.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND. Just a reminder that the St. Paul Island DXpedition is scheduled to start **June 7th and last until July 7th**. Their callsign will be **CY9SS**. The list of operators include: Robert/VY2RO, Chip/W1AIM, Doug/N6TQS, Alan/VE1AWP, Bill/VY2LI, Robby/VY2SS, Doug/VE1PZ, Charlie/N1RR, Paul/N1BUG, Jon/N0JK, Donald/VE1CY, the Tooner/TO0NIE, David/KY1V, Lowell/ VY2OX, Steve/VE2TKH, Dave/VA2DV, Gerry/W1VE, Ken/VY2RU, Dale/AA5XE, Don/ VA7DJ, Mitch/VE6OH, Krassy/K1lZ and Don/VE1AOE. The team is planning activity for the following: 2m weak signal CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK on HF and CW/SSB/WSJT/M/S-EME on VHF. They will have 2 HF stations and 6 meter station on Europe 24/7 and a 6 meter station for NA/SA. QSL direct to VY2SS: Robby Robertson, RR#3, Oleary, PEI, Canada C0B 1V0. Also via e-QSL. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Visit the CY9SS Web page at: http://www.cy9ss.com.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). This DXpedition was tentatively scheduled to last 7 days in July, but now the team has announced that they may be there as long as 10 days. This may change depending on the weather. Operators Joe/W8GEX, Wayne/K8LEE and Phil/W9IXX are expected to be active as **CY0AA** from Sable Island (**NA-063**) starting **July 27th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW/SSB/PSK/RTTY. QSL via K8LEE: Wayne Mckenzie, 24815 Joy Lynn Rd., Lawrenceburg, IN 47025. The team has selected a QSL printer, the cards will be a double card (two sided with pictures). They are looking to send the cards out about 4-5 weeks after their trip is over, so be patient. Also, they will try to have the logs online during the operation, if not, they will be available after the trip. Check out their Web page for updates at: http://www.wb8xx.com/sable/.

DXCC NEWS.....

- **DXCC YEARBOOK**. Many have been reporting receiving their yearbook in the mail this past week. Your editor received his last Friday.
- **VU4 QSL PRESS RELEASE**. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, sent out the following press release last week:

> Clarification re: VU4RBI/VU4NRO QSL cards for DXCC credit. We are accepting VU4RBI/VU4NRO QSO cards. A few cards have been rejected on the basis of incomplete information on the cards. We apologize to Bharathi, NIAR, et.al. for any misunderstandings.
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> If you received a QSL card complete with all data (time, date, band, mode and callsign), there is no problem. If you have a QSL card with less than complete data (callsign only, missing time/date, etc.) we will need to see the card at HQ. This is usual procedure. Blank cards and cards missing information are always subject to inspection at HQ. Do not add the missing information. As always we strive to maintain the highest integrity possible in the DXCC program.

Ms. Prasad has graciously agreed to supply additional log information where necessary. If you have only an incomplete card, do not alter the card by filling in the missing information. Simply send us the card, and we will try to obtain the fill. If you expect a direct QSL, it would be easier on everyone involved if you would wait for the direct card.

FP, MIQUELON. Tom, N6RA, will be active as **FP/N6RA** from **June 9-21st**. He is expected to concentrate on 6 meters, looking particularly for the West Coast, Europe and the Middle East stations. It is suggested to look for him on 50.120 MHz (except during the **ARRL VHF Contest**, **June 11-12th**). Joe, K2VUI, will be joining Tom on **June 9-14th** and will operate as **FP/K2VUI**. His activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

FS & PJ7, ST. MARTIN AND ST. MAARTEN. By the time you read this, Ramon, XE1KK, should be active **until June 8th** from both **French Saint Martin** as **FS/VE7RKK** and **Dutch St.Maarten** as **PJ7/VE7RKK** on the AO-51 satellite on some orbits. He states that he will be using a Kenwood TH-D7A(G) and a Pryme AL-800 antenna (no Arrow Antenna this time). His Grid locator is FK88 and IOTA is NA-105. He has informed OPDX that he is on vacation with his YL and will not be on the HF bands. QSL via XE1KK only, direct or by the bureau. Ramon has activated the following entities in the past: XE, W, VE, FP, OX, TF, PA, LX, OH0, ES, KP4, KP2, TG9, TI5, HC, HC8 and KH6.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-117**. Look for **JA4NVY/4** to be active from **Nino Island** (JIIA AS-117-023) Hiroshima prefecture, **June 6th**. QSL via the home callsign. Also, visit the JIIA Award Web page at: http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage61.htm.
- **EU-101**. Operators Juha/OH6OS, Toni/OH6TN and Pasi/OH6UM will be active as **OH6M** from **Molpe Island**, located in the Botnia Gulf, **June 10-12th**. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via the bureau.
- **EU-120**. Members of the Warrington Amateur Radio Club will be active as **GB0SGI** from **St. Georges Island**, **June 13-17th**. Activity will be on all bands. Operators mentioned are: Mike/G4VSS, Mike/M0ACK, John/M0ANM, Ron/G0WJX, Bill/G0PZP, Jim/G3NFB, Philip/G3TEX and Keith/G8MKO. QSL via G0WRS, by the bureau is preferred.
- **EU-159**. Laurent/F8BBL (CW) and Jean Marc/F4ECL (SSB) will be active as **TM7CI** on **Cordouan Island** for 48 hours non stop between **July 22-23rd**. Activity will be QRP on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. Their equipment will be: FT817ND, W3FF Buddistick and dipoles. More info is forthcoming. QSL via F8BBL, 100% via the bureau or direct. Other reference numbers: DIFM AT-032, LH 271, ARLHS FRA007 and PB 018.
- **EU-159**. Laurent/F8BBL (CW) and Jean Marc/F4ECL (SSB) will be active as homecall/QRP/P on **Banc d'Arguin Island** (DIFM AT-033) later this summer in **August**. Activity will be QRP on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. Their equipment will be: FT817ND, W3FF Buddistick and dipoles. More info is forthcoming. QSL via F8BBL, 100% via the bureau or direct.
- **EU-170**. Gianfranco, I6GFX, and possibly others will activate a few Croatian islands in the EU-170 group as **9A/I6GFX** between **June 10-13th**. Islands mentioned are: **Ugljan** (ACIA CIA-53, IOCA CI-134), **Sestrunj** (ACIA CIA-41, IOCA CI-104), **Rivanj** (ACIA CIA-40, IOCA CI-102), **Jidula** (IOCA CI-273) and **Paranak Veli** (IOCA CI-386). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau.

- **EU-172**. Palle/OZ5MJ and Jakob/OZ7AEI will activate two islands and lighthouses on Sunday, **June 12th**. Operators will sign using their **homecall/p**. They plan to activate **Lyoe Island** (DIA FY-009) starting around 0900z and **Avernakoe Island** (DIA FY-010) starting around 1230z. On Avernakoe Island, they will activate the two lighthouses on the island (DEN-156 Munke/Avernakoe) and (DEN-157 Nakke odde). If WX is fine (no rain), they will use 2 stations, mainly on 20 and 40 meters SSB. More up-to-date info about the activity and their logs after the operation will be available at: http://oz7aei.qrz.dk. QSL via the bureau or direct.
- **NA-055**. Bill, N8PW, will be active as **N8PW/1** from **Mount Desert Island** (USI ME-021S - **Hancock County, Maine**), **June 13-18th**. This will be a vacation style operation, as time permits. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 17 meters CW/SSB. QSL via his home callsign.
- **NA-112**. Operators Kyle/W4KTF, Jim/KI4FVT and Sandra/KI4HVG will be active from **Emerald Isle** (USI NC-010S - **Carteret County, North Carolina**), **June 12-19th**. They will sign as **homecall/p** and be active on 40-6 meters SSB, with some 2 meters and 70 centimeters activity as well. QSL all callsigns via W4KTF.
- **OC-206**. Operators Wally/VK6YS, Dan/VK8AN, Nigel/VK6KHD and possibly a 4th operator (TBA) will be active as **VK6DHI** from **Dirk Hartog Island**, **August 20-23rd**. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters CW/SSB. QSL DIRECT to VK4AAR: Alan Roocroft, 376 Old Toowoomba Rd, Placid Hills 4343, Australia.

KH7K, KURE ATOLL (Update). A multi-disciplinary expedition to Kure Atoll, the northernmost Hawaiian atoll, will be carried out between September 22th and October 9th (Operation between **September 24th-October 9th**). The expedition team is an international group of highly experienced radio amateurs and field scientists. They will activate Kure for radio amateurs worldwide, using the callsign **K7C**, and also implement an innovative satellite-internet system ("DXA") for real-time display of the expedition activities. In addition to the radio operations, the team will carry out a variety of projects in support of the wildlife sanctuary on Kure, including a study of invasive ants, documentation of shipwrecks, and collection of representative speciemens of marine organisms. Kure Atoll is the northernmost coral atoll in the world. It lies some 1958 km miles NW of Honolulu, which is the point of departure for the expedition. The voyage will take six days to reach Kure. The team will spend about two weeks on the atoll, and then return to Honolulu. The expedition team consists of the following:

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    Expedition Leader/DXA development - Robert Schmieder/KK6EK
    Co-organizer/Antennas             - Garry Shaprio/NI6T
    Co-organizer/Satellite Link       - Alan Maenchen/AD6E
    MESS (Medical, emergency,
    safety, sanitation)               - Alan Eshleman, K6SRZ
    European operations               - Franz Langer, DJ9ZB
    Equipment/Logistics               - John Kennon, N7CQQ
    Radio Equipment                   - Mike Mraz, N6MZ
                                      - Ward Silver, N0AX
    Information                       - Ann Santos, WA1S
    Electrical Power                  - Charlie Spetenagel, W6KK
    Relay Stations                    - Steve Wright, VE7CT
Onsite support
    Kure Onsite Naturalist            - Cynthia Vanderlip
    Skipper, Machias                  - Bill Austin
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QSL Manager is Tom Harrell, N4XP. QSL Route: K7C KURE DXPEDITION 2005, %K4TSJ, Box 1, Watkinsville, GA 30677. For more details, please visit the K7C Web page at: http://www.cordell.org/htdocs/KURE/index.html.

KP1-5 PROJECT UPDATE. A press release by KP1-5 Project Committee was sent out last week stating that two Amateur Radio operators testified on Capitol Hill May 26th during an oversight hearing conducted by the House Subcommittee on Fisheries, Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans on the issue of access to the nation's wildlife refuges. The Amateur Radio operators advocated the reopening of **Navassa** (**KP1** / IOTA **NA-098**) and **Desecheo Island** (**KP5** / IOTA **NA-095**) to Amateur Radio use. Since the press release is very long, the complete announcement will be sent to all OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin.

P4, ARUBA. John, KK9A, will be active as **P40A** during the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest** (**October 29-30th**) and the **CQ WW DX CW Contest** (**November 26-27th**) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL both operations via WD9DZV.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Goran, YZ1SG, reports that the logs for **5Z4YT1CS** (Nairobi) and **5Z4YT1CS/M** (Lamu Island AF-040) operations are now available online at: http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html. Please note that the correct callsigns are 5Z4YT1CS and 5Z4YT1CS/M (not 5Z4/YT1CS and 5Z4/YT1CS/M). Goran also states, "The original logs are in paper format (except about 1900 QSOs made in CQ WW) so there could be some errors in typing. If you can't find your QSO, you can send me an E-mail (yz1sg@eunet.yu), and I will check the copy of the original log." The QSLs for these operations are finally printed and Miki, YT1CS, will start answering all requests very soon.
- Graham, M5AAV, reports that effective immediately, he is now the QSL Manager for John, **9M6/G3OOK**. QSL requests can be by the Bureau or direct to: Graham Ridgeway, 6,Pilgrim Street, Nelson, Lancashire, BB9 0JQ, England. Graham states that John is hopeful of getting a "proper" 9M6 callsign in the near future - when he does he (Graham) will be handling the QSLs.
- Steve, AK0M, informs OPDX that cards were received from the printer in April for his February **C6ASB** operations and were of poor quality. The cards are being reprinted, but as of June 3rd, he has not yet received them. He hopes to have the cards by mid-to-late June, but he doesn't have a promise date from the printer yet. They are photo QSLs and should be nice cards. Steve states, "If you are in a hurry and have submitted a request already, you can send me an E-mail at my QRZ.com address for AK0M, and I will send you one of the cards from the original printing. My apologies to those who are still waiting."
- Larry, N4VA, QSL Manager for Manju, S21AM, informs OPDX that the correct QSL route for the recent **S21SHQ** operation is: AMINUL KAWSER KHAN, Deputy National Commissinor, Bangladesh Scouts, PO BOX #5130, post code 1205, DHAKA, BANGLADESH. Larry does not have any logs for that station, and Manju, S21AM, states not to send QSL cards to him.

SPECIAL EVENT. Authorities have granted Doug, VA7DP, to use the special callsign **VA7YVET** to commemorate the "YEAR OF THE VETERAN". The callsign is valid from **June 4th** (2005) to **July 4th** (2005). He will try to work as many bands as possible. QSL DIRECT ONLY w/sase or e-QSL (NO BUREAU).

SPECIAL EVENT. To commemorate the 2000th anniversary of the Roman City of **Nijmegen** (Noviomagum), a special callsign, **PA2000N** (PA "two thousand" N) has been issued. The callsign will be used during the period of **July 8-23rd**. This includes a Multi/Multi entry in the **IARU Contest**. A crew of local hams will air the callsign as much as possible in the indicated period. A special QSL will be printed, and you can send your QSL via the Dutch QSL Bureau (R35) or direct to PA0KHS: Henk van Hensbergen, Smaragdstraat 53, NL-6534 WN, Nijmegen, The Netherlands.

VK9C & VK9X, COCOS-KEELING AND CHRISTMAS ISLANDS. David, VK2CZ, will activate both of these islands on 2 meters EME using digital modes (no HF). Look for him as **VK9CMO** from **Cocos-Keeling Island**, **August 18th to September 1st**. Also, look for him as **VK9XMO** from **Christmas Island**, **September 1-22nd**. QSL via VK7MO direct. Visit the following Web page for more info at: http://www.qrz.com/vk9xmo/.

WRTC 2006 UPDATE. Oms, PY5EG, informs that they are pleased to announce the "TEAMS SELECTION CRITERIA" for the next WTRC which will be held in July 2006. Please visit the following Web pages for complete details: http://wrtc2006.com (WRTC 2006 Home Page) and http://www.wrtc2006.com/criteria.pdf (Team Selection Criteria).

XU, CAMBODIA. Wim, **XU7TZG**, was heard this past week on 15/20 meters SSB between 0730-1600z. QSL via ON4AJV.

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